Endangered Species: Nature's 911

Endangered species are animals or plants that are close to being extinct. That means without our help they might go away <u>forever!</u>

What can you do to save them?

Some people believe that if they don't live along a stream or river then what they do won't have an effect on salmon. **Not true!** The fact is the water quality of a stream or river is often influenced by activities that take place miles away.

- → Don't litter.
- Don't pollute or waste water. (Turn off the faucet when brushing your teeth.)
- Never dump anything down a drain in the street.
- Wash your parent's car on the lawn where soapy water is absorbed in the grass or have them take it to a car wash.
- Sweep sidewalks and driveways instead of hosing them with water.
- Cover garbage cans and dumpsters so water doesn't get polluted from the trash.
- Tell a friend to help too!

For information about salmon recovery in Clark County, contact the Clark County Endangered Species Program at (360)397-2022 or www.saveoursalmon.com.



- Compost yard debris & kitchen scraps.
- ➤ Plant native plants. They are resistant to bugs, use less water and easy to care for.
- Conserve water—don't use sprinklers at mid-day when the weather is warmest.
- Avoid use of chemicals. Pull weeds by hand.

Plants and animals need your help!



Remember:

- Wildlife needs a healthy environment to live—just like people!
- Keeping your environment clean saves endangered species
- People need plants and animals to live.



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